Child Abuse Statistics

(via RAINN)



- Every 9 minutes, CPS substantiates, or finds evidence for, a claim of child sexual abuse.
- 34% are under **age 12**
- 66% are **12-17**
- 93% of perpatrators are known to the victim
- 20 % of reports of abuse and neglect made to CPS are by educational personal, this makes them the primary reporting party in the US (University of Oxford)

- More likely to experience:
 - 4 times more likely to develop symptoms of drug abuse
 - 4 times more likely to experience PTSD as adults
 - 3 times more likely to experience a major depressive episode as an adult

Child Abuse and COVID



According to the **National Sexual Assault Hotline**:

- Since March of 2020, more then half of the calls received on the hotline are from minors (first time ever)
- 3 out of 4 minors who called with COVID concerns stated they were being abused by someone they lived with during quarantine (RAINN)

- According to research by the University of Texas at San Antonio:
- Children whose parents experienced job loss were 5 times more likely to be psychologically maltreated
- Parental job loss was also associated with increased probability of physical abuse.

Child Abuse and COVID Solutions



- Online learning child welfare protocols
- Making national hotline numbers readily available to youth
- Education on reporting laws/process of reporting to adults
- Providing support/coping skills to adults who are experiencing undue stress (job loss)
- Tele mental health more readily available to adults and youth